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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 471
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A RESOLUTION To create a joint committee to study the jurisdiction, control, and funding of Chucalissa Indian Village.

WHEREAS, The Chucalissa Indian village is an invaluable anthropological and historic source; and

WHEREAS, Preserving the integrity of this resource and achieving a balance between public use and scientific and academic exploration and research is a delicate one; and

WHEREAS, Presently, issues of oversight, control and maintenance of this unique site are unclear, but need to be resolved; and

WHEREAS, The need for the General Assembly to provide guidance in the preservation and use of Chucalissa Indian Village is of paramount importance; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That a special joint committee is hereby created to study and review issues

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relative to the jurisdiction, control, and funding of Chucalissa Indian Village located in T. O. Fuller Park.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the special joint committee shall consist of two (2) members of the House of Representatives and two (2) members of the Senate, to be appointed by the respective speakers. At least two (2) of the members appointed by the respective speakers shall represent the county or a portion of the county in which the Chucalissa Indian Village is located.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Department of Environment and Conservation, the University of Memphis, and all other appropriate state agencies shall provide assistance to the special joint committee upon request of the chair.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That all legislative members of the special joint committee who are duly elected members of the General Assembly shall remain members of such committee until the committee reports its findings and recommendations to the General Assembly.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the special joint committee shall be convened by the member with the most years of continuous service in the General Assembly and at its first meeting shall elect a chair, vice-chair, and such other officers the committee deems necessary.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the committee shall timely report its findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the One Hundred Second General Assembly no later than February 1, 2002, at which time the committee shall cease to exist.